



An Update on GPM and TRMM Data Services at NASA GES DISC

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Outline

- Introduction
- GPM, TRMM, and other (global, regional) precipitation data products at GES DISC
- Data services
- Giovanni
- Summary



Introduction

- Precipitation is a key environmental variable. An example: in agriculture, precipitation, temperature, water (soil moisture), solar radiation, and vegetation cover are key variables.
- Rainfed agriculture – major farming practices that rely on rainfall for water.
- Rainfed agriculture: >95% of farmed land (sub-Saharan Africa); 90% (Latin America); 75% (Near East and North Africa); 65% (East Asia); 60% (South Asia).
- Droughts and floods can cause severe crop loss.
- The Goddard Earth Sciences (GES) Data and Information Services Center (DISC), one of 12 NASA data centers, is located in Greenbelt, Maryland, USA.
- The NASA GES DISC is a major data archive center for global precipitation, water & energy cycles, atmospheric composition, and climate variability.



In Kenya 2016 <http://venturesafrica.com/kenya-battles-drought/>

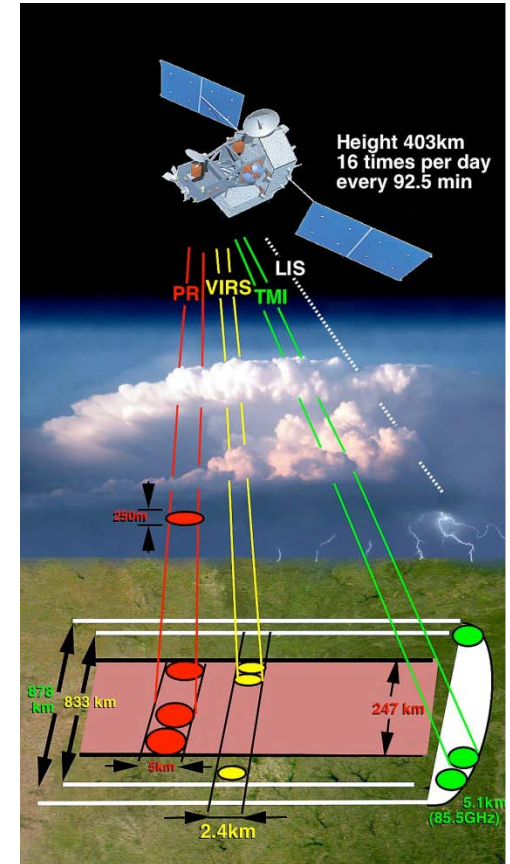


In the U.S. <https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/heat-drought-continues-threaten-us-corn-crops/>



TRMM (Tropical Rainfall Measuring Mission)

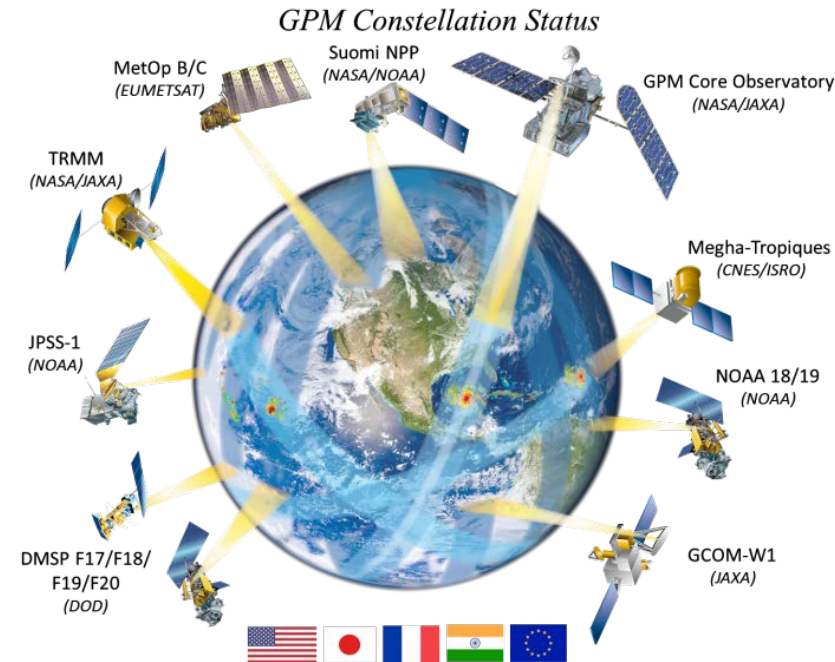
- NASA/JAXA mission (Nov. 1997 – Apr. 2015) to monitor and study tropical rainfall
- Precipitation related instruments (TMI, PR, LIS, VIRS)
- Orbital and gridded datasets
- Single sensor, multi-sensor, multi-satellite datasets.





GPM (Global Precipitation Measurement)

- NASA/JAXA mission (Feb. 2014 – present) to monitor and study global precipitation (rain and snow)
- Quantify rainfall rates from 0.22 mm h^{-1} to 110 mm h^{-1} (60 mm h^{-1} for microwave imager) and detect falling snow at instrument footprint scales (from Walter Petersen)
- Precipitation related instruments (GMI, PR)
- GPM constellation of international satellites
- Orbital and gridded datasets; single sensor, multi-sensor, multi-satellite datasets.





Precipitation Product Overview

- GPM (Global Precipitation Measurement)
- TRMM (Tropical Rainfall Measuring Mission)
- GPCP (Global Precipitation Climatology Project) of MEaSUREs
- MERRA-2 (Modern Era Retrospective-analysis for Research and Applications, Version 2)
- NLDAS (North America Land Data Assimilation System)
- FLDAS (Famine Early Warning System Network Land Data Assimilation System)
- GLDAS (Global Land Data Assimilation System).



Global Precipitation Products (more details)

- Single sensor (microwave, radar, and combined instrument) products from TRMM (1997 – 2015; 40° N-S) and GPM (2014 – present; 65° N-S): orbital and gridded
- TRMM Multi-satellite Precipitation Analysis (TMPA, 0.25-deg. 3-hr, monthly, 1998 – present; 50° (60° NRT) N-S)
- **Integrated Multi-satellitE Retrievals for GPM (IMERG, NRT and research, 0.1-deg., 0.5-hr, monthly, 2014 – present), Version 05.** Retrospective processing (back to the TRMM era, available soon).
- GPCP (Global Precipitation Climatology Project) - Version 3 is coming soon.
- GLDAS (Global Land Data Assimilation System, 0.25-deg., 3-hourly and 1-deg., monthly, 1948-2010 (v 2.0), 2000-present (v 2.1))
- NLDAS (North America Land Data Assimilation System, 0.125-deg., hourly and monthly, 1979 - present)
- FLDAS (Famine Early Warning System Network Land Data Assimilation System, 0.1 deg., daily, monthly, 1982 – present)
- MERRA-2 (Modern Era Retrospective-analysis for Research and Applications, Version 2, 0.5 x 0.625 deg. hourly, 3-hourly, monthly, 1980-present)



TRMM Version 8 Status

- Beginning with TRMM Version 8 (V8) reprocessing, TRMM and constellation data became part of the GPM data suite, with GPM algorithms used for reprocessing. The TRMM data format, as well as the file naming conventions, are now consistent with those of GPM.
- Thus, the TRMM data is now fully incorporated into the Global Precipitation Measurement (GPM) data processing stream. Products are exclusively in GPM HDF5 format.
- The mapping between the New and Legacy TRMM data products is available.



Not Entirely Independent

- TMPA (PMW, IR, GPCC, etc.)
- IMERG (PMW, IR, GPCC, etc.)
- GPCC (gauges only, sampling)
- GPCP (PMW, IR, GPCC, etc.)
- GLDAS (TMPA, PERSIANN, CMAP, CMORPH, NRL, GTS)
- MERRA-2 (CMAP, GPCP)



Issues in Satellite-based Precipitation Estimates

- Over oceans, passive microwave (PMW) retrievals are found to rival radar retrievals. Over land, it is more difficult (variations of the surface emissivity, in particular over snow and ice)
- IR techniques relate cloud top temperatures to surface rainfall (underestimation of warm rain, false alarms for anvils and thick cirrus clouds with cloud brightness temperatures)
- Precipitation radar: Attenuation correction, complex terrain and minimum detectable signals (snow, light rain, etc.)
- Algorithm changes; multi-satellite, multi-sensor, multi-algorithms, etc.
- Complex terrains, orographic effect, snow and ice surface, lacking gauges and radars, light rain, blowing snow, etc.
- Lack of ground observations for bias correction
- A challenge to capture and document data quality information
- Effective communication with users



Data Services (How to find data?)

The screenshot shows the NASA EarthData GES DISC website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the EarthData logo, a search bar for DAACs, and utility links for Feedback, Help, and Login. The main header reads "GES DISC" with sub-headers for Atmospheric Composition, Water & Energy Cycles, and Climate Variability. A large "Explore..." search box is centered on a background image of Earth from space. Below this, there are statistics: Archive Size: 2,200,351 TB; Archived Data Files: 115,037,125; Files Distributed*: 2,340,854,143. The main content area is divided into three columns: "Projects & Missions" (listing CAR, MEASURE, and SSBUV), "Featured Gallery Images" (showing satellite imagery and a precipitation map), and "News" (listing recent product releases). A footer contains contact information for NASA Official Long Pham and Web Curator M. Hegde, along with Science Focus Areas, Tools, Resources, and About Us sections.

Navigation: EARTHDATA Find a DAAC Feedback Help Login

GES DISC

Atmospheric Composition Water & Energy Cycles and Climate Variability

Explore...

Data Collections - Enter search (e.g., rainfall, GPM, TRM) Browse Data by Category -

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Featured Gallery Images

Lake Oroville Precipitation, February 1

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News

Release of GPS Radio Occultation Boundary Layer Depth Products
Oct 25, 2018

OCO-2 Releases Lite product V9r
Oct 17, 2018

New Version 01 TIS-1 Level 3 Products Released to Public
Oct 5, 2018

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NASA Official Long Pham
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Science Focus Areas

- Atmospheric Composition
- Water & Energy Cycles
- Climate Variability

Tools

- Giovanni
- MERRA Subsetter
- Data Rods for Hydrology
- DQViz
- AIRS NRT Viewer
- OGC Web Map Service
- OPeNDAP and GDS

Resources

- HowTo
- Glossary
- FAQ
- News
- Gallery
- Alerts

About Us

- Who We Are
- Citing Our Data
- Contact Us
- User Working Group



Data Services (cont.)

- TRMM, GPM, NLDAS, GLDAS, MERRA-2
- precipitation, soil moisture, temperature, etc.




The screenshot displays the NASA Earth Science Data Information Services Center (DISC) website. The header includes the text "GES DISC" and "Atmospheric Composition, Water & Energy Cycles and Climate Variability". Navigation links for "Feedback", "Help", and "Hi, Zhong" are visible. A search bar is present with the text "Data Collections" and "TRMM" entered. A dropdown menu is open, listing various options: "Data Collections", "Data Documentation", "Alerts", "FAQs", "Glossary", "How-To's", "Image Gallery", "News", and "Tools". The background features a satellite image of Earth from space.

Archive Size: 2,200.827 TB
Archived Data Files: 115,038,250
Files Distributed*: 2,340,860,935
Data Volume Distributed*: 22,197.155 TB



Data Services (cont.)

Explore...

Data Collections ▾ TRMM   

Browse Data by Category ▾

Subject	Aerosols	Infrared Wavelengths	Sea Ice
Measurement	Air Quality	Ionosphere/Magnetosphere Dynamics	Sea Surface Topography
Source	Altitude	Land Surface/Agriculture Indicators	Sensor Characteristics
Processing Level	Atmospheric Chemistry	Land Use/Land Cover	Snow/Ice
Project	Atmospheric Phenomena	Microwave	Soils
Temporal Resolution	Atmospheric Pressure	Natural Hazards	Solar Activity
Spatial Resolution	Atmospheric Radiation	Ocean Chemistry	Solar Energetic Particle Flux
	Atmospheric Temperature	Ocean Heat Budget	Solar Energetic Particle Properties
	Atmospheric Water Vapor	Ocean Optics	Solid Precipitation
	Atmospheric Winds	Ocean Pressure	Sun-Earth Interactions
	Atmospheric/Ocean Indicators	Ocean Temperature	Surface Radiative Properties
	Clouds	Ocean Winds	Surface Thermal Properties
	Cryospheric Indicators	Paleoclimate Indicators	Surface Water
	Ecological Dynamics	Platform Characteristics	Topography
	Ecosystems	Precipitation	Ultraviolet Wavelengths
	Frozen Ground	Protists	Vegetation
	Glaciers/Ice Sheets	Radar	Visible Wavelengths
	Ground Water		

Radio O

is an airborne multi-wave



Data Services (cont.)

GES DISC

Atmospheric Composition, Water & Energy Cycles and Climate Variability

Data Collections trmm



Feedback Help Hi, Zhong



Data Collections Showing 1 - 25 of 71 datasets associated with trmm

Refine By

Subject Sort

- Aerosols (1)
- Air Quality (1)
- Atmospheric Radiation (11)
- Atmospheric Temperature (9)
- Atmospheric Water Vapor (8)

More...

Measurement Sort

- 24 Hour Precipitation Amount (1)
- Atmospheric Heating (10)
- Attitude Characteristics (8)
- Brightness Temperature (2)
- Cloud Liquid Water/Ice (8)

More...

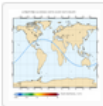


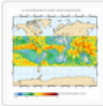


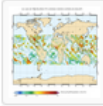



Source Sort

- Aqua AMSR-E (4)
- DMSP 5D-2/F13 SSM/I (1)
- DMSP 5D-2/F14 SSM/I (1)
- DMSP 5D-2/F15 SSM/I (1)
- DMSP 5D-3/F16 SSMIS (1)

More...

Processing Level Sort

- 1 (7)
- 1A (4)
- 1R (6)

Image	Dataset	Source	Temporal Resolution	Spatial Resolution	Process Level	Begin Date	End Date
 Hover	GPM PR on TRMM Spectral Latent Heating Profiles L2 1.5 hours 5 km V06 (GPM_2HSLH_TRMM.06) - Atmospheric Temperature, Atmospheric Winds, Precipitation	TRMM PR	90 minutes	5 km x 5 km	3	1997-12-07	2015-04-01
		 Get Data	 Ingest Status				
 Hover	GPM TMI on TRMM (GPROF) Climate-based Radiometer Precipitation Profiling L3 1 month 0.25 degree x 0.25 degree V05 (GPM_3GPROFTRMMTMI_CLIM.05) - Atmospheric Water Vapor, Precipitation	TRMM TMI	1 month	0.25 ° x 0.25 °	3	1997-12-01	2015-04-08
		 Get Data	 Ingest Status				
 Hover	GPM TMI on TRMM (GPROF) Climate-based Radiometer Precipitation Profiling L3 1 day 0.25 degree x 0.25 degree V05 (GPM_3GPROFTRMMTMI_DAY_CLIM.05) - Atmospheric Water Vapor, Precipitation	TRMM TMI	1 day	0.25 ° x 0.25 °	3	1997-12-08	2015-04-08
		 Get Data	 Ingest Status				
 Hover	GPM PR on TRMM Gridded Orbital Spectral Latent Heating Profiles L3 1.5 hours 0.5x0.5 degree V06 (GPM_3GSLH_TRMM.06) - Atmospheric Temperature, Atmospheric Winds, Precipitation	TRMM PR	1.5 hours	0.5 ° x 0.5 °	3	1997-12-07	2015-04-01

Recommended data collections +



Data Services (cont.)

GES DISC

Data Collections ▾ 3b43



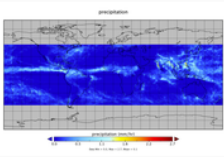
Home Feedback Help ▾ Hi, Zhong ▾



[Atmospheric Composition](#), [Water & Energy Cycles](#) and [Climate Variability](#)

[Go to Search Results](#)

TRMM_3B43: TRMM (TMPA/3B43) Rainfall Estimate L3 1 month 0.25 degree x 0.25 degree V7



[View Full-size Image](#)

The 3B43 dataset is the monthly version of the 3B42 dataset.

This product is created using TRMM-adjusted merged microwave-infrared precipitation rate (in mm/hr) and root-mean-square (RMS) precipitation-error estimates.

It provides a best? precipitation estimate in a latitude band covering 50o N to 50o S, an expansion of the TRMM region, from all global data sources, namely high-quality microwave data, infrared data, and analyses of rain gauges. The granule size is one month.

Data Access

[Online Archive](#)

[Earthdata Search](#)

[Giovanni](#)

[Web Services ▾](#)

[Subset / Get Data](#)

[Product Summary](#)

[Data Citation](#)

[Documentation](#)

Shortname: TRMM_3B43

Longname: TRMM (TMPA/3B43) Rainfall Estimate L3 1 month 0.25 degree x 0.25 degree V7

DOI: 10.5067/TRMM/TMPA/MONTH/7

Version: 7

Format: HDF

Spatial Coverage: -180.0,-50.0,180.0,50.0

Temporal Coverage: 1998-01-01 to [2018-07-31](#)

File Size: 4.9 MB per file

Data Resolution

Spatial: 0.25 ° x 0.25 °

Temporal: 1 month



Data Services (cont.)

- Dataset and information search
- Subsetting (spatial and parameter)
- Format conversion (NetCDF, ASCII)
- Time series (Data Rods)
- Machine to machine (OPeNDAP, https, THREDDS, GDS)
- GIS support (in-house GIS specialists)
- Online visualization and analysis (explore and evaluate datasets without downloading software and data)



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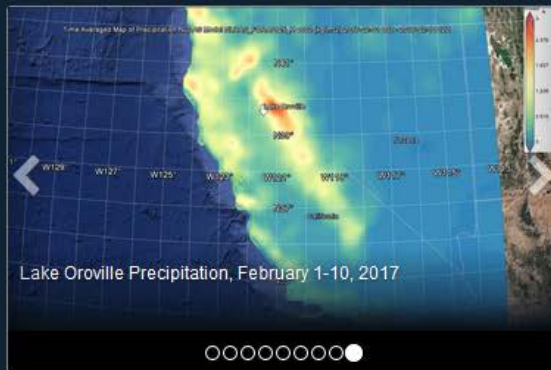
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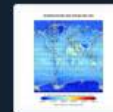
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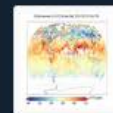


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Data Services (cont.)

- **New:** Level-2 GPM DPR subsetting service

The screenshot shows the 'PRECIPITATION MEASUREMENT MISSIONS' website. The main navigation bar includes Home, GPM, TRMM, Science, Applications, Meetings, Data Access, Resources, and Education. The left sidebar contains a 'GPM' menu with links to Science Objectives, GPM Ground Validation, Extreme Weather News, GPM Flight Project, Constellation Partners, Meetings and Workshops, Mission Updates, Launch, and PMM Science Team. Below this are social media links for Twitter, Facebook, and YouTube, and a 'Need Help?' section with links to View Frequently Asked Questions, View the PMM Glossary, and Contact Us. The main content area features a 'Extreme Weather News' section dated Wednesday, October 31, 2018, with the headline 'GPM Examines Weaker Tropical Storm Yutu in the South China Sea'. The article text states: 'Typhoon YUTU (known as Rosita in the Philippines) is now threatening the Philippine Island of Luzon. On October 24, 2018 YUTU devastated the northern Mariana Islands of Tinian and Saipan as a super typhoon. One death has been attributed to the typhoon in the Marianas with many structures including schools and hospitals being destroyed.' A satellite-style map shows the storm's path over the South China Sea and the Philippines. To the right of the article are 'KEYWORDS' (Typhoons, Yutu, China), 'SHARE THIS NEWS' buttons for Facebook, Twitter, Google+, and Reddit, and a 'EXTREME WEATHER NEWS' section with a link to 'IMERG Measures Flooding Rainfall In Deadly California Wildfire Areas' dated Monday, December 3, 2018. At the bottom of the page, there is a date 'Wednesday, November 28, 2018' and a small map thumbnail.

Tropical Storm Yutu in the South China Sea near the Philippines on Oct. 31, 2018 (<https://pmm.nasa.gov>)



Data Services (cont.)

- Level-2 GPM DPR subsetting service

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Data Collections Showing 1 - 1 of 1 datasets associated with 2adpr


Refine By

Subject Sort

- Atmospheric Water Vapor (1)
- Precipitation (1)
- Radar (1)

Source Sort

- GPM DPR (1)

Image	Dataset	Source	Temporal Resolution	Spatial Resolution	Process Level	Begin Date	End Date
	GPM DPR Precipitation Profile L2A 1.5 hours 5 km V06 (GPM_2ADPR.06) - Atmospheric Water Vapor, Precipitation, Radar Subset / Get Data	GPM DPR	1.5 hours	5 km x 5 km	2	2014-03-08	2018-12-19

Get GPM DPR Precipitation Profile L2A 1.5 hours 5 km V06 data

Estimated size of results

1,748 days, 27,619 links, 422.47 GB

Refine Search

Refine Date Range: 2014-03-08 to 2018-12-19 [Reset]

Refine Spatial Region: -180, -70, 180, 70 [Reset]

Subset Options

Spatial Subset: -180, -70, 180, 70 [Reset]

Variables: Get all variables [Reset]

Reset All

Get Data



Data Services (cont.)

- Level-2 GPM DPR subsetting service

Refine Search ?

▼ Refine Date Range: ✓ 2018-10-31 to 2018-10-31 Reset

From: To:

Available Range: 2014-03-08 to 2018-12-19 Default Range

October 2018

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	01	02	03	04	05	06
07	08	09	10	11	12	13
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28	29	30	31	01	02	03
04	05	06	07	08	09	10

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28	29	30	31	01	02	03
04	05	06	07	08	09	10

► Refine Spatial Region: ✓ 113.467, 11.744, 123.047, 20.357 Reset

Subset Options ?

▼ Spatial Subset: ✓ 113.467, 11.744, 123.047, 20.357 Reset

Default Range

Available Range: -180, -70, 180, 70 Cursor Coordinates: 25.015, 139.922

- Area
- Circle
- Point

▼ Variables: ✓ 1 variable(s) selected Reset

NOTE: By default, ALL variables are sent in the subset request.

Expand Tree

- AlgorithmRuntimeInfo
- HS
- MS
- NS
 - CSF
 - DSD
 - Experimental
 - FLG
 - navigation
 - PRE
 - scanStatus
 - ScanTime
 - SLV
 - binEchoBottom
 - epsilon
 - flagSLV
 - paramDSD
 - paramNUBF
 - phaseNearSurface
 - plaFinal
 - precipRate
 - precipRateAve24
 - precipRateESurface
 - precipRateNearSurface
 - precipWaterIntegrated
 - qualitySLV
 - sigmaZeroCorrected
 - zFactorCorrected
 - zFactorCorrectedESurface
 - zFactorCorrectedNearSurface
 - SRT
 - VER

Reset All Get Data



Data Services (cont.)

- Level-2 GPM DPR subsetting service

📄 Data File Links for [GPM DPR Precipitation Profile L2A 1.5 hours 5 km V06](#)

Results (found 4 links in range from 2018-07-23 to 2018-07-23):

[Download links list](#) (This list is valid for 2 days) | [Instructions for downloading](#)

[README Document](#)


[ALGORITHM THEORETICAL BASIS DOCUMENT \(ATBD\)](#)

[2A.GPM.DPR.V8-20180723.20181031-S005717-E022950.026546.V06A.SUB.HDF5](#)

[2A.GPM.DPR.V8-20180723.20181031-S145027-E162300.026555.V06A.SUB.HDF5](#)

You have chosen to open:

📄 ...3.20181031-S005717-E022950.026546.V06A.SUB.HDF5

which is: HDF5 File (115 KB) 

from: <https://gpm1.gesdisc.eosdis.nasa.gov>

Would you like to save this file?

Cancel

Save File

You have chosen to open:

📄 ...80723.20181031-S005717-E022950.026546.V06A.HDF5

which is: HDF5 File (240 MB) 

from: <https://gpm1.gesdisc.eosdis.nasa.gov>

Would you like to save this file?

Cancel

Save File

Subset Vs. Full (everything)



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- Level-2 GPM DPR subsetting service

Create Plot Combine Plot Open Dataset

Datasets Catalogs Bookmarks

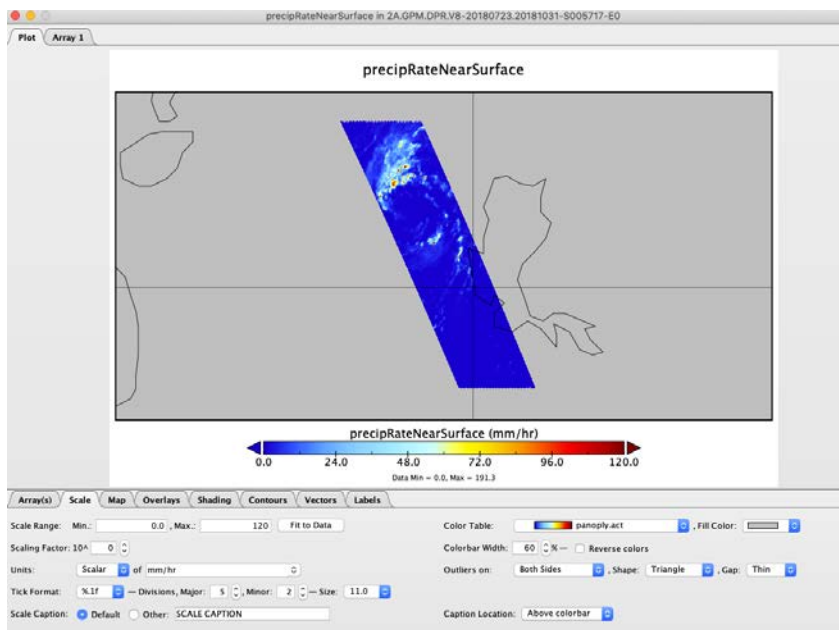
Name	Long Name	Type
2A.GPM.DPR.V8-20...	2A.GPM.DPR.V8...	Local File
nray_idx	Original index v...	1D
NS	NS	—
Latitude	Latitude	Geo2D
Longitude	Longitude	Geo2D
navigation	NS/navigation	—
nscan_idx	Original index v...	1D
SLV	NS/SLV	—
precipRate...	precipRateNear...	Geo2D

Variable "precipRateNearSurface"

In file "2A.GPM.DPR.V8-20180723.20181031-S005717-E022950.026546.V06A.SUB(6).HDF5"

Var full name: NS/SLV/precipRateNearSurface

```
float precipRateNearSurface(236, 49);
:DimensionNames = "nscan,nray";
:Units = "mm/hr";
:units = "mm/hr";
:_FillValue = -9999.9f; // float
:CodeMissingValue = "-9999.9";
:_ChunkSizes = 118U, 25U; // uint
```



Visualized in NASA GISS
Panoply



User Services

- FAQs, How-To (recipes), Glossary, etc.
- Social media (Twitter, YouTube, User Forum)
- User forum (2019)
- Help desk (phone, email, online feedback)
- Training materials (ARSET => Applied Remote Sensing Training)



Giovanni (<https://giovanni.gsfc.nasa.gov>) - Data visualization and analysis without downloading data and software

GIOVANNI

The Bridge Between Data and Science v 4.28

[Feedback](#) [Help](#) [Log out \(zliu\)](#)

AIRS Project recommends not to use total column CO and CH4 ... [1 of 1 messages] [Read More](#)

Select Plot

Maps: Time Averaged Map
 Comparisons: Select...
 Vertical: Select...
 Time Series: Select...
 Miscellaneous: Select...

Select Date Range (UTC)

YYYY-MM-DD HH:mm
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Snow water-equivalent (accumulated) (NLDAS_NOAH0125_H	ka/m ²	NLDAS	Hourly	0.125 °	1979-01-02	2018-10-21	-



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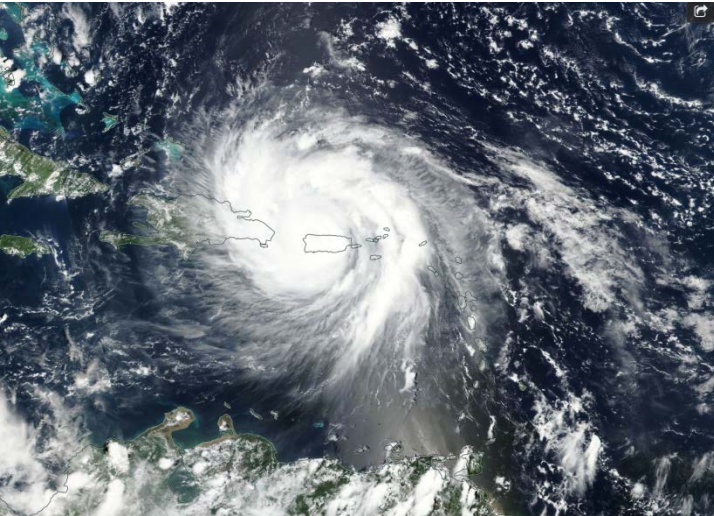


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Example (Hurricane Maria)



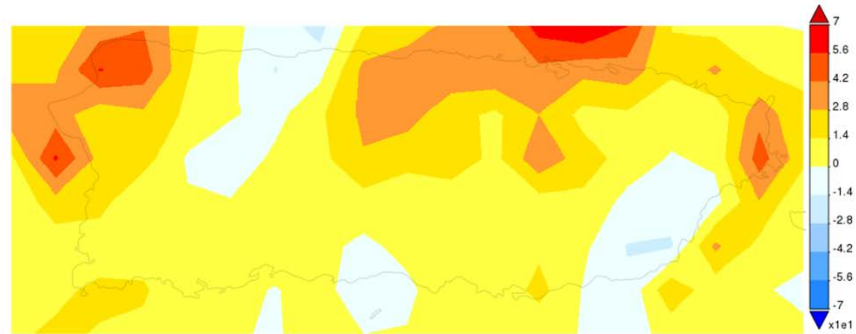
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Total IMERG-Final rainfall map (in mm) in Puerto Rico (top right) and difference maps (in mm) between IMERG-Early and IMERG-Final (middle) and between IMERG-Early and IMERG-Late (bottom) on September 20, 2017.

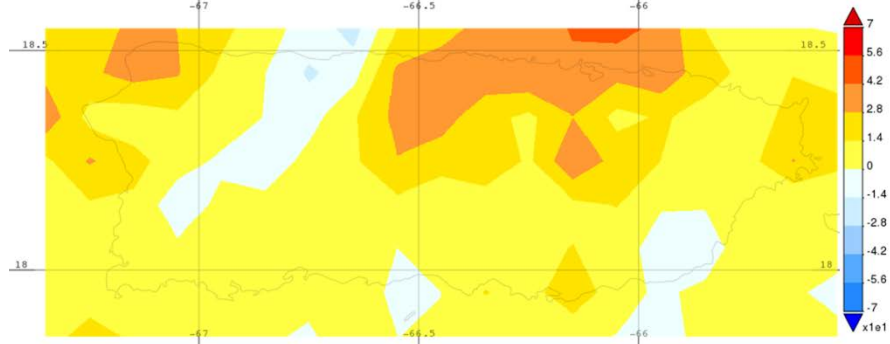
Time Averaged Map of Daily accumulated precipitation (combined microwave-IR) estimate - Final Run daily 0.1 deg. [GPM GPM_3IMERGDF v05] mm over 2017-09-20, Region 67.4341W, 17.8235N, 65.5444W, 18.6365N



Map, Difference of Time Averaged over 2017-09-20, Region 67.4341W, 17.8235N, 65.5444W, 18.6365N
Daily accumulated precipitation (combined microwave-IR) estimate - Early Run daily 0.1 deg. [GPM GPM_3IMERGDE v05] mm minus
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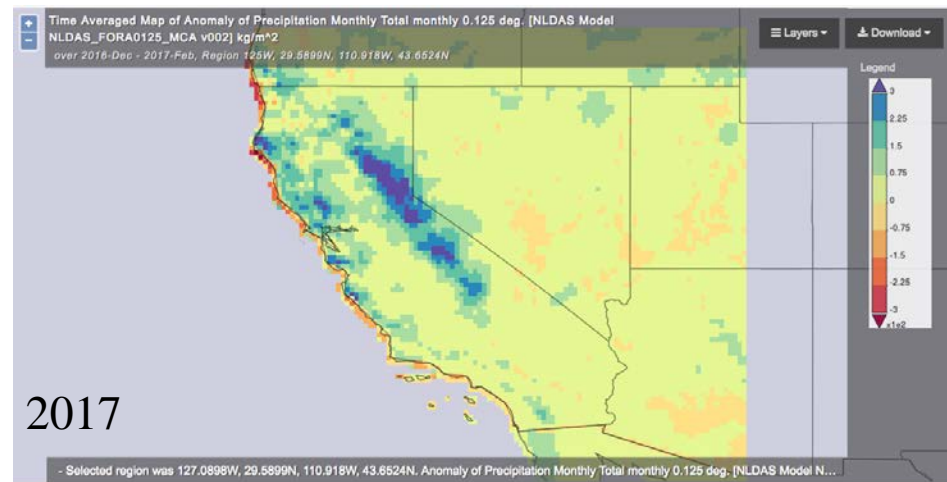
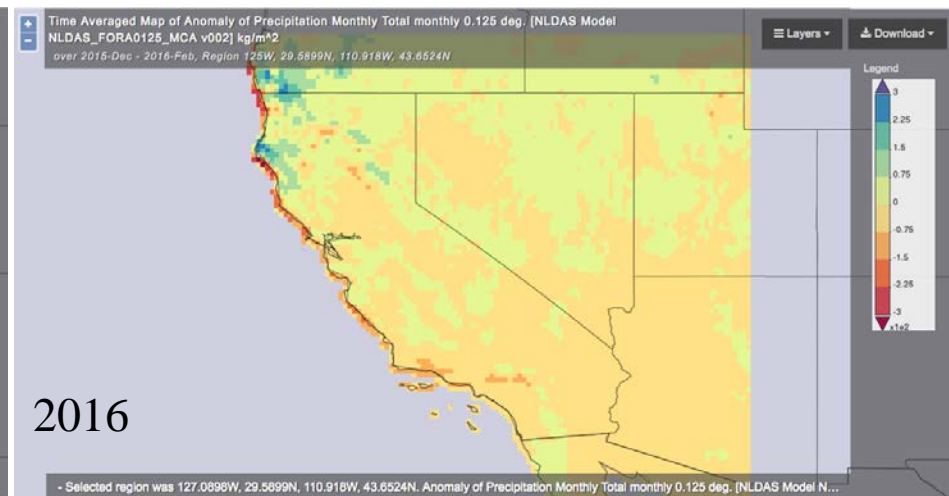
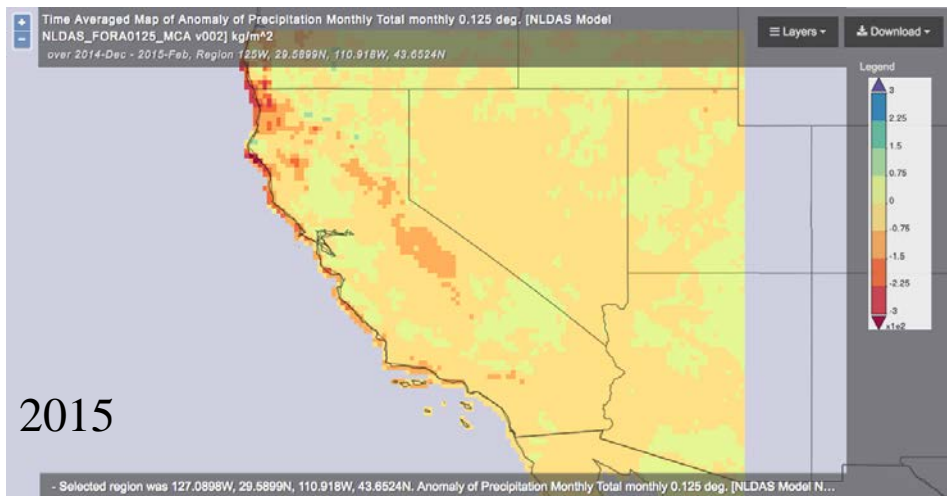


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Example (California Droughts)



NLDAS Total Precipitation Anomaly in Giovanni



Summary

- Global and regional precipitation datasets (satellite-based and data assimilation)
- Other datasets are available (temperature, wind, soil moisture, etc.)
- Data services (search, subsetting, format conversion, GIS, etc.)
- Giovanni (online tool for visualization, analysis, and evaluation)
- User services



Information

- Data information and services: <https://disc.gsfc.nasa.gov/> Search for: TRMM (GPM, TRMM, IMERG, NLDAS, GLDAS, MERRA)
- Giovanni: <https://giovanni.gsfc.nasa.gov> or Google search “NASA giovanni” Search for “GPM”, “TRMM”, “MERRA”, “GLDAS”
- Comments and suggestions: gsfc-help-disc@lists.nasa.gov